

AMENDMENT

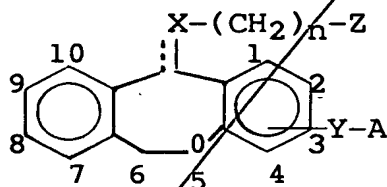
In response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 16, 1987, the period for response having been extended by the filing of the above Petition and the payment of the extension fee, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 11 and 12.

Please amend Claims 1-3, 5-17 and 19, as follows:

1. (Amended) A dibenz[b,e]oxepin compound represented by the formula (I)



wherein

A represents [a hydroxymethyl, a lower alkoxymethyl, a triphenylmethyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyl,] a carboxyl, a lower alkoxy carbonyl, [a triphenylmethyloxycarbonyl, 4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl group,] -CONHOH or

Y represents  $-(CH_2)_m-$ ,  $-CHR_3-(CH_2)_m-$  or  $-CR_4=CR_5-(CH_2)_m-$  wherein  $R_3$  represents a lower alkyl,  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  are the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl, and m is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, which is the substituent at 2- or 3-position of the mother nucleus and the left side of the group Y is bound to benzene nucleus;

n is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

Z represents 4-methylpiperazino, 4-methylhomopiperazino, piperidino, pyrrolidino, thiomorpholino, morpholino or  $-NR_6R_7$  wherein  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are the same or different and represent hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl; [and]

and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. ((Amended)) A compound according to claim 1, wherein said salt is selected from the group consisting of acid addition salt, metal salt, ammonium salt, organic amine addition salt, and amino acid addition salt.

3. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein A is a member selected from the group consisting

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of [hydroxymethyl,] lower alkoxy carbonyl,  $-\text{CONR}_1\text{R}_2$  and carboxyl; Y is bound at 2-position of the mother nucleus; [X is a member selected from the group consisting of  $=\text{N}-$  and  $=\text{CH}-$ ;] n is 1 or 2; and Z is a member selected from the group consisting of dimethylamino, diethylamino, methylamino, amino, morpholino and thiomorpholino.

5. (Amended) A compound according to claim 4, wherein A is [a member selected from the group consisting of hydroxymethyl and] carboxyl [; and X is  $=\text{CH}-$ ].

6. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein  $-\text{Y}-\text{A}$  is a member selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, carboxymethyl, 2-carboxyethyl, [2-hydroxyethyl] and 2-carboxyethenyl [X is  $=\text{CH}-$ ], n is 2 and Z is a member selected from the group consisting of dimethylamino, diethylamino, methylamino, amino, morpholino and thiomorpholino.

7. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein  $-\text{Y}-\text{A}$  is 2-COOH, [X is  $=\text{CH}-$ ,] n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.

8. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein  $-\text{Y}-\text{A}$  is 2-COOH, [x is  $=\text{CH}-$ ,] n is 2 and Z is diethylamino.

9. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.

10. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.

13. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein [-Y-A-] -Y-A is 2-COOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is morpholino.

14. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is thiomorpholino.

15. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH=CHCOOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.

16. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is methylamino.

17. (Amended) A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, [X is =CH-,] n is 2 and Z is amino.